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MAIN EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREEOF BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

COURSE CODE: BCA322

COURSE TITLE: PRINCIPLES OF AUDITING

DATE: 5TH SEPTEMBER,2022 **TIME**:9.00AM - 11.00AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. Answer Question One in Section A and Any other TWO (2) Questions in Section B
- 2. Question one carries 30 marks and each of the other two questions carry 20 marks each.

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE

a) Why is an external audit necessary for companies registered under the Companies Act?

3mks

- b) Under what circumstances is one ineligible for appointment as an auditor of a company? 4mks
- c) Explain the procedure a company has to follow when changing its auditors. In your discussion explain 'dismissal' and 'appointment' of auditors by a company? 8mks

d) List the rights and duties of an independent auditor.

5mks

e) List and briefly explain five disadvantages of an interim audit.

10mks

(Total: 30 marks)

QUESTION TWO

You have been appointed the auditor of United Millers Company Limited, a medium manufacturing company which is quoted on the stock exchange.

Required:

a) List the important matters which must be included in the letter of engagement. 14mks 6mks

b) Explain the purpose of such a letter.

(Total: 20 marks)

QUESTION THREE

The auditor's operational standard states, "The auditor should obtain relevant and reliable audit evidence sufficient to enable him to draw reasonable conclusions thereon".

Required:

- a) What factors would influence the judgment of the auditor with regard to sufficiency of audit 10mks evidence?
- b) What factors would influence the auditor to accept third party certificates as audit evidence? 7mks

c) State the important factors that must be considered when assessing the reliability of audit 3mks evidence.

(Total: 20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Your firm of accountants has been the auditors of Leather Merchants Limited, a company that exports both raw and semi-finished leather products to European and Asian markets. The company has decided to introduce a comprehensive computer system to manage its accounting and administrative functions.

Required:

- a) Outline the practical difficulties you would encounter as an auditor as a result of the proposed introduction of a computerized accounting system.
- b) Explain how you would overcome the difficulties identified in (a) above.

 5mks
- c) Identify and explain the benefits that the company would derive as a result of putting in place a 5mks comprehensive computerized accounting system.

 (Total: 20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

An internal control system is designed to provide reasonable assurance that all the control objectives are being achieved.

Required:

- a) What purpose does an internal control system serve in an organization? 6mks
- b) Identify and briefly explain the three key elements of a good internal control system. 6mks
- c) Identify and briefly explain any four inherent limitations of an internal control system. 8mks

(Total: 20 marks)